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In re Patent Application of: Dennis Colleran et al.

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For: CLOSURE MEMBER FOR A MEDICAL

IMPLANT DEVICE

Examiner: A. R. Reimers

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper wherein claims 1, 7, 14, 21, 29 and 30 have been amended and claims 22 and 23 have been canceled.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.